Announcement: Plan II now twitters! Get up-to-the-minute information about deadlines, events, and other items of interest via P2Tweets, http://www.twitter.com/P2Tweets

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- Costa Rica May Mester Info Session

**Next Wednesday**
- Voltaire’s Cinema Event
- Teach for America Application Due

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- National Frankenstein Day: either in honor of Mary Wollenstone Shelley’s famous novel or the popular sugar coated Frankenberry cereal. Take your pick.

**Friday, October 23**
- National Mole Day
- Plan II Peer Advising Week Ends
- Parent's Weekend
1. **The Broccoli Project Presents: Mr Marmalade by: Noah Haidle**

Mr. Marmalade is a savage dark comedy that is focused on one evening in the life of a four year old girl named Lucy. Struggling with getting along in the real world full of disappointment, Lucy conjures up the best imaginary friend: a little girl she could ever dream of: one that doesn't have much time for her, not to mention he beats up his personal assistant, is full of false promises, and finds himself in and out of rehab on a regular basis. As Lucy's imaginary world crumbles around her, she finds one real friend to hold onto, but will it be enough to get her through the night?

Performances will be held in the Utopia Theater in the School of Social Work (1925 San Jacinto Blvd, Corner of San Jacinto & E. 20 1/2 street) on 10/29, 10/30, 11/5, and 11/7 at 7:30 p.m. and on 10/31 and 11/1 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are $5 at the door.

2. **Plan II Spring Receptionist Needed**

Plan II is in need of an afternoon receptionist for the Spring 2009 semester. The hours for the position will be 1:00 - 5:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays and the pay will be $8.75 per hour. Plan II receptionists are an integral part of the Plan II team with primary responsibilities that include greeting visitors, answering and routing phone calls, providing clerical assistance to Plan II staff, and ensuring that the Plan II suite stays neat and tidy. This position is open only to Plan II students who are available to work the TTH 1-5 shift in its entirety. Applications are available online at <http://www.utexas.edu/hr/forms/student_nonbenefits_eligible_emp_app.pdf>.

Please submit completed applications to the Plan II front desk by Monday, November 16th. For additional information, email Laurie at <L.Gonzales@mail.utexas.edu>.

3. **Plan II Peer Advising Week**

Peer Advising Week for all Plan II First-Year students will be October 19-23 in the Plan II office. All Plan II first-year students must come in and meet with a Plan II Peer Advisor in preparation for Spring registration, which begins on October 26th. Check your email for the complete schedule of advising hours, your registration worksheet, and other important details!

4. **Plan II Thesis Registration Procedure and Deadlines**

Plan II seniors wishing to start their thesis in the spring must complete the following steps to register in the thesis course (TC 660HA):


2. Fill out Part One of the Thesis Registration Form and bring it to a meeting with the Plan II Associate Director (Alexandra Wettlaufer) OR the Plan II Assistant Director (Wendy Domjan) during their office hours. Discuss your thesis proposal and, if approved, get their initials on Part One and turn it into the Plan II front desk. THE DEADLINE FOR PART ONE IS Friday, Nov. 6th.

3. Register for the thesis course and schedule meetings with professors you would like to work with as your supervisor and/or second reader.

4. Complete Part Two of the Thesis Registration Form and turn it into the Plan II front desk. THE DEADLINE FOR PART TWO IS Friday, Dec. 4th.

5. **Voltaire’s Cinema Event**

*Voltaire’s Cinema* presents Matt Valentine with a screening and discussion of Ridley Scott's 1979 sci-fi classic, Alien.

Ridley Scott's 1979 film Alien stands apart from the several sequels (each helmed by a different director); neither an action blockbuster nor a typical horror film, the original Alien is perhaps the most successful marriage of science fiction and suspense. The film has been the subject of a surprising volume of scholarly criticism, referenced not only in film theory but also examined through the lenses of feminism, art history and comparative literature. Now thirty years old, the film's Academy Award-winning visual effects (especially the alien creature, designed by artist H.R. Giger) have aged well -- the film still looks and feels like a believable dystopian future, and has avoided much of the campiness that dates other sci-fi films of this vintage.

When: October 28, 7 p.m.
Where: Joynes Reading Room

Don't be scared! Come poise yourself for a thrilling Halloween with some light refreshments and a cult classic hosted by Matt Valentine. Contact <pii.academics@gmail.com> for questions or concerns.

6. **Voltaire’s Coffee Announcement**

All twenty spots available for Larry Speck's November 12 VC are currently full. If you would still like to be added to a waiting list in case someone cannot attend, please contact <pii.academics@gmail.com> with your request. For more information see the Facebook event <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=171524987552&ref=ts>.

7. **Plan II Travel and Thesis Grants**

Beginning Monday, October 5, 2009, students wishing to apply for Plan II grants in support of academic travel or thesis research during the winter break or Spring 2010 semester may apply online using the College of Liberal Arts Online Scholarship Portal. Visit the Plan II Honors website and navigate to Current
Students, then Scholarships to find the link to the scholarship system. If you have not used the system before, you will need to create a one-time profile, then apply for the specific Plan II grant you are seeking.

Students who have already submitted paper application forms will be contacted by Plan II individually.

For students applying for study abroad support, be sure to see the “HOW TO APPLY” section of the Plan II Travel Grant webpage. The notes will guide you to the online application. The deadline for applications will be October 30, 2009. Send questions to <planiischolarships@austin.utexas.edu>.

8. Plan II/KIPP Program
The Plan II/KIPP Partnership will be starting its second annual PlanTutoring program this semester for the 2009-2010 school year. KIPP Austin Collegiate is looking for energetic and hardworking Plan II students to assist them in tutoring high school students in all subjects. PlanTutoring allows tutors to volunteer as many hours as they would like but requires a one-hour commitment per week. KIPP Austin Collegiate has expressed a high demand for tutors this semester. If there are any sophomores or juniors interested in being involved in the growing Plan II/KIPP Partnership, then PlanTutoring is a great program to join. Please contact Jessica Collins by email <jessann@mail.utexas.edu> if you are interested.

9. Plan II to Offer New Maymester Program in Costa Rica – May 2010
Plan II to Offer New Maymester Program in Costa Rica – May 2010 Plan II is pleased to announce the creation of a new Maymester Study Abroad Program in Costa Rica to be offered in May 2010. The Program is titled “Costa Rica: Issues in Rainforest Conservation” and will be co-taught by Professors Ruth Buskirk and Moon Draper of the School of Biological Sciences in the College of Natural Sciences. Course credit for either TC 357 or BIO 337 can be gained from participation in the Program. For detailed information visit the Costa Rica page on the Plan II Website: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/progs/plan2/current_stdtnts/abroad/costa-rica.php>

Interested students should plan to attend an information session: Tuesday, October 27 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. – Joynes Reading Room (CRD 007)
The Application Deadline is November 1, 2009; applications are accepted on a rolling basis so feel free to apply early. In order to access the online Maymester application your EID must be entered into the Study Abroad Office online system, contact the Study Abroad Office 471-6490 directly and request to be authorized to apply for a Maymester Program or come to an information session and sign the application form. Note: submitting your EID for authorization to the online system does not obligate you to apply for a Maymester Program.

ACADEMIC ANNOUNCEMENTS
1. Spring Course Schedule Available Online
The course schedule for the spring 2010 semester is now available online. Registration for spring 2010 begins October 26 and continues through November 6. Check your registration time slot and any bars you may need to clear in advance by checking your Registration Information Sheet (RIS): <http://registrar.utexas.edu/students/registration/before/ris/index.html>

Detailed course descriptions for all courses offered by the College of Liberal Arts are available online: <http://web.austin.utexas.edu/cola/students/courses/search.cfm>

2. Business Honors Program Sophomore Transfer Info Sessions
3. LAUNCH Student Research Forum
The Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Chapter is looking for participants for its first annual Student Research Forum from 5-6:30 on November 11th. Students will present original research to peers, faculty mentors, and a panel of three faculty judges. The winning participants of the LAUNCH Student Research Forum will each receive a travel scholarship from the College of Liberal Arts. These scholarships should be used to fund the students’ travel to and participation in the National Conference of Undergraduate Research at the University of Montana on April 15-17, 2010. Participants will be chosen based on the strength of their application and research summary (500-750 words). Applications are due by Friday, October 30th at 5 p.m. For an application and more information, please visit the LAUNCH website, <http://www.launchut.org/> or e-mail Trevor Templeton at <mailto:ttempleton@mail.utexas.edu>

4. Law Fair
Law Fair is an annual event that brings representatives from 100+ law schools to campus to recruit UT students. UT Law Fair is one of the largest school-sponsored law fairs in the nation! This is a unique opportunity to learn a great deal about many different law schools all in one day. Oftentimes the person at the booth is the same person who will be reading your application down the road! Law Fair is free and open to the public. Business casual dress is recommended.
EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIPS

1. Teach for America Application Information

Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding recent college graduates and professionals - of all majors, backgrounds, and career interests - who commit to teach for two years in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in expanding educational opportunity. This year, 7,300 corps members are teaching in 35 regions across the country while 17,000 Teach For America alumni continue working from inside and outside the field of education for the fundamental changes necessary to ensure educational excellence and equity.

To learn more, visit <http://www.teachforamerica.org/>. Feel free to email Jiacheng Yu at jiacheng.yu@gmail.com if you have any questions.

NEXT APPLICATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, October 28, 2009.

2. Summer Business Analyst Internship

Summer Business Analyst Internship with McKinsey & Company (description attached)

Info Sessions - for Plan II juniors (those looking to graduate on or after August 2010 or before May 2011)

Get-to-Know-Us (Informal Gathering)

3. Senate Internship with US Senator John Cornyn

In the Senate, interns provide a valuable service that not only renders substantial assistance to Senators and staff, but often enables them to personally assist the citizens of their state in a variety of ways. In return, interns gain a unique insight into how government works and a behind-the-scenes look at the legislative process. Service as an unpaid intern is available throughout the year in Senator Cornyn’s D.C. office as well as six district offices located in Austin, Dallas, Houston, Lubbock, San Antonio and Tyler. Please note that if you are chosen to receive an internship, housing will not be provided. Students must have graduated from high school, completed at least one semester of college classes, or have at least one semester of course work remaining before they obtain their undergraduate degree. Graduates and Graduate students may not apply. 3.0 minimum GPA.

Spring application deadline: November 1, 2009
Summer application deadline: March 15, 2010
For application instructions visit <http://cornyn.senate.gov/public/>

4. Check the LACS Website Updates

Their website offers advice, aid and direction with all kinds of jobs and internships. Check out the calendar for a full updated lists of application due dates and information sessions. Some current positions include:

10/26 - Environment America - Information Session: From 6-7 p.m. in PAR 1. Learn about full-time fellowship opportunities and internships. Attire is casual. For more organizational information, visit <http://www.environmentamerica.org/>.

10/28 - Texas Wasatch Group - Information Session: From 5:30-6:30 p.m. in GEA 105. Attend this info session to learn more about the Client Associate Position for Texas Wasatch Group.

0/29 - AXA Advisors: Information Session from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in JES A305A. Attend this information session to learn more about AXA Advisors’ Financial Consultant position.

Email, call or peruse the web for more information and positions: <lacs@austin.utexas.edu> <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/lacs/>

5. Apply to Be an Orientation Advisor

Anyone interested in being an OA should plan to attend one of the following information sessions to obtain an application:

* Sunday, October 25, 2009
8:30 - 9:30 p.m., Jester Auditorium (JES) A121A

If you are unable to attend the above meeting, please contact New Student Services at (512) 471-3304 for an appointment to obtain an application.

6. Intellectual Entrepreneurship "Pre-Graduate School Internship."

This internship is open to students in all UT colleges/schools and departments. You may earn one, two or three hours of academic credit (CMS 164M/264M/364M) by participating in the internship.

In addition, you may read more about this program on the web: <http://communication.utexas.edu/ie/>

NOTE: Because of the generosity of several UT deans, undergraduates who do their pre-grad internship in programs in the following colleges will be eligible to receive travel
grants to help cover part of the cost of attending an academic conference (with their grad mentor)--- Law, Public Affairs, Communication, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Pharmacy, Business, Social Work, Education, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts. A wonderful UT web feature about this program is at: <http://www.utexas.edu/features/2008/ie-2/>

If after examining these materials you have questions, please feel free to contact Rick Cherwitz at <spaj737@uts.cc.utexas.edu>

7. Winn Tutor Positions Available
Tutors are needed for School year 2009-2010 with Winn Tutoring, a private in-home tutoring service for students in grades 5 through 12. Part-time job tailored to a busy schedule, working 2-10 hours per week at $19-$22 per hour. Most work is Monday through Thursday between 5PM and 9PM.

***TRANSPORTATION IS REQUIRED*** Tutor is needed for Advanced High School level Chemistry, Geometry, Algebra II and Pre-calculus.

Apply at <www.winn tutoring.com>, or e-mail Sharon White at <info@winn tutoring.com>

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Texas 4000 is a non-profit organization that hosts an annual charity bike ride from Austin, Texas, to Anchorage, Alaska. Around 55 University of Texas students make this trek each year to spread Hope, Knowledge, and Charity across North America. The C4 or Come Cure Cancer Concert will be held on Thursday, November 19th at Scholz Garten from 8 p.m. to midnight to benefit the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. Tickets are $15 in advance and can be purchased from any member of Texas 4000 ($20 at the door). At the concert, attendees will enjoy the music of Curtis Grimes, Sam Sliva and the Good, and Jimmy Kaiser. All guests will receive a goodie bag and will be entered into a raffle to win a variety or prizes. Please contact Whitney Yang at <whitney leayang@gmail.com> if you have any questions or would like to purchase a ticket.

2. Bob Bullock History Museum Events
Bob Bullock History Museum and IMAX "Where the Wild Things Are"

Phi Alpha Theta, the History Honors Society invites all History majors and all Liberal Arts and Education majors for a...
Ethical Executive: Becoming Aware of the Root Causes of Unethical Behavior: 45 Psychological Traps that Every One of Us Falls Prey To". He will discuss many of the psychological traps that were identified in the book. Every participant will receive a copy of the book with their registration.

The Closing Keynote - Henry J. Shea, Associate Professor of Law at the University of St. Thomas School of Law and Richard Juliano, Former Deputy Chief of Staff, Former Illinois Governor George Ryan. They will discuss "The Consequence of Public Corruption: An Insider's View".

This conference is a must for anyone dealing with Ethics and Ethics Compliance in Texas government today.

Date: October 28, 2009
Location: Thompson Conference Center
Cost: $175 for the general public
$158.00 for UT students/faculty and staff

Credit hours: 6 CPE and MCLE (application pending)

To register and see the complete agenda, please visit our website: <http://www.utexas.edu/lbj/profdev/candt/class/384/>.

If you have any questions please email us at: <lbjpd@uts.cc.utexas.edu>

6. Helping Horns
The University of Texas Student Government is starting a new program called Helping Horns. This program involves University of Texas students going to Crockett High School and/or Reagan High School to "adopt-a-teacher" or Saturday TAKS tutoring. Both of these schools are in great need of help with academic tutoring and are greatly appreciative of our help. Info sessions will be conducted in the upcoming weeks.

We appreciate you for considering participation in this program. For more information, please contact Aniq Lakhpaty at <aniqlakhpaty@gmail.com> or Scott Trebilcock at <scottx12@aol.com>.

7. Senior Fellows Guest Speakers
Details are online at <http://communication.utexas.edu/students/srfellowevents.html>. These events, which are free and open to the public, are sponsored by the Senior Fellows honors program of the College of Communication. For more information, contact Robert Jensen at (512) 471-1990 or <riensen@uts.cc.utexas.edu>.

"Empire of Illusion: The End of Literacy and the Triumph of Spectacle" a talk by Professor Andrea Smith
University of California-Riverside Tuesday, November 17, 2009 7 p.m.

University of Texas at Austin Thompson Conference Center auditorium (TCC 1.110)

SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Undergraduate Research Award
The Senate of College Councils and the School of Undergraduate Studies invite you to apply for this semester’s Undergraduate Research Award. The award seeks to encourage students to get involved in research early in their undergraduate experience. Eligible applicants include students assisting a faculty member with a research project as well as students conducting independent research.

Applicants must be enrolled for 12 hours of coursework at the University of Texas at Austin. Preference will be given to first-year and second-year students, though all undergraduates are encouraged to apply.

One winner will receive a $1,000 award from the Senate of College Councils. The award recipient will be expected to compose a brief paper reflecting on their experiences at the end of the academic year.

The deadline for all materials is November 20, 2009 at 5 p.m..
Submit your application in person to Becky Carreon in the Senate of College Councils’ office, SSB 4.206. Please contact Austin Gunter at <a_gunter@mail.utexas.edu> with questions regarding the application.

2. Elie Wiesel Essay Contest
Every year the Elie Wiesel Foundation sponsors an essay competition. This year the suggested topics are:

What does your own experience tell you about the relationship between politics and ethics and, in particular, what could be done to make politics more ethical?
Articulate with clarity an ethical issue you have encountered and analyze what it has taught you about ethics and yourself.
Carefully examine the ethical aspects or implications of a major literary work, a film or a significant piece of art.
Clearly analyze the relationship between religion and ethics in today's world.

Eligibility, FAQs and much more information at: <http://www.uts.cc.utexas.edu/scholarships/undergradresearchaward>
www.eliewieselfoundation.org/information.aspx>

STUDY ABROAD

1. “Death, Dying and Euthanasia”
   Study Abroad Program in the Netherlands

   Death, Dying & Euthanasia Study Abroad Program in the Netherlands
   Is it ever permissible for physicians to kill their patients? In the Netherlands, the answer is yes. In the United States, it is no. This 3-credit course, taught in two weeks from August 2-13 in Amsterdam, is a unique opportunity to examine a range of Dutch and American end-of-life policies and practices with special focus on the unique ethical, cultural, religious, and legal contexts in which they developed. Plan II professor William Winslade will be one of three distinguished scholars teaching the course. INFORMATION SESSION: Wednesday, November 11, 12-1 p.m. in the Meyerson Conference Room (WCH 4.104). For additional information, go to <http://www.case.edu/med/bioethics/international-2.htm>

2. International Education Week
   International Education week starts November 16th and continues until November 20th. Events will include foreign film screenings, language and culture workshops, funding seminars, mixers and a student panel. Check the website for updates and additional events: <http://utiew.wordpress.com/schedule-of-events/>

3. Passport Day
   Getting ready to travel soon? Apply for or renew a passport without leaving the Business school. Simply bring: completed passport application, proof of U.S. citizenship, proof of ID, two checks ($75 application fee; $25 execution fee). Passport photo services will be available for $10. Applications are available at the event, or you may complete them online at: <http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/ds11/}

4. Summer Overseas Pre-Law Program Opportunity for Plan II
   The Business Law Program in Edinburgh is a five-week intensive summer study abroad program that is designed specifically for undergraduate students at The University of Texas at Austin. The program is offered in conjunction with The University of Edinburgh in Edinburgh, Scotland. The University of Edinburgh is one of Europe's leading higher education institutions and is annually ranked in the top ten by the TIMES newspaper rankings of UK universities. Summer 2010 will mark the 8th year the Program in Business Law, run by the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) at the UT McCombs School of Business, has been offered. Students take two three-credit hour survey courses, one on American law and one on European Union law; program dates are likely to be June 28-July 29, 2010. Enrollment opens on September 24th and the Program is expected to fill quickly, interested students should visit the Program website (see below) for more information, contact Angie Carter at 471-1625, and plan to enroll early to ensure a spot in the Program. <http://www.mccombs.utexas.edu/research/CIBER/summer/edinburgh.asp>.

5. UT in D.C. Archer Program
   October 26, 2009 (Monday) at 3:00 p.m. in FAC 4
   November 16, 2009 (Monday) at 12:00 p.m. in FAC 4
   November 17, 2009 (Tuesday) at 12:30 p.m. in FAC 4
   If you would you like to spend a fall or spring semester in Washington, D.C. involved in an internship and taking in-residence UT Austin classes, please see <http://www.utexas.edu/ugs/utindc> and then come to one of the information sessions listed above to find out more. The UT Austin campus coordinator and former Archer Fellows will give an overview of the program and provide you with tips on submitting a competitive application. Please feel free to make an appointment with Katrina Kosted, coordinator, if you would like to discuss your interest in the program, or if you are unable to attend an info session.

6. UT Semester in Los Angeles Program Information Sessions
   Thursday, Nov 12, @ 2:00pm CMA 5.160 (Video conference)
   The program is currently accepting applications for summer and fall 2010, and will be moving to a selective application process with students who apply for spring 2011 or summer 2011. More information about this can be found online: <http://www.utla.utexas.edu/applying/index.htm>
   Watch a short promotional video on the program online: <http://www.utla.utexas.edu>
   Questions? Contact UTLA Center staff in Los Angeles by calling the following toll free number: (877) 875-2111.

USEFUL MISCELLANY

1. Submitting to the Plan II Newsletter
   The Plan II newsletter is published on Tuesdays and Fridays during the semester for students currently registered in Plan II and others associated with Plan II who send their e-mail addresses to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu>. News items for the letter include announcements from the Plan II office and the Plan II Student Association, as well as performances and exhibits by Plan II students. Read the newsletter to learn about courses, registration, advising, job opportunities and special events. Personal and political
announcements will not be published in the newsletter; and internships and job announcements should normally be sent to the Liberal Arts Career Services office, after which they may be considered for publication in the newsletter. Please keep in mind that although the Plan II newsletter enjoys a substantial and diverse readership, its circulation is still relatively small. It should not be relied upon as an employer's only means of advertising for a position, a group's only advertisement for an event, etc. To reach a wider audience, please use university-wide electronic and paper advertising outlets.

To place a news item in the Plan II newsletter, you must do the following, or your messages will not be included:
- Type your news item in the body of an e-mail to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu>.
- In the subject line, write “Plan2News” exactly.
- Give the name of a contact person with phone number or e-mail address.
- Provide an activity date or a deadline, whichever is appropriate.
- Do not use “we” or “I.” Please write your submission in third person.
- Write in complete sentences and use correct grammar.
- News items will run until your deadline, or through two issues of the newsletter if no deadline is provided.
- The text of submitted newsletter items (including job and internship postings) must be fewer than 150 words, not including headline and contact information. Please edit your entries to this length before submission. An overly-lengthy entry will be returned to its sender and will not appear until this standard is met.
- Send your news item to <planiinewsletter@austin.utexas.edu> no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday (for the Tuesday letter) or 3:00 p.m. on Thursday (for the Friday letter). The 3:00 p.m. deadline is final. Do not send your message to any other address. No one else can approve news items for inclusion in the Plan II newsletter and no other address will be used to receive entries.

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“I pledge allegiance to Plan II and the University of Texas at Austin. And to the program for which it stands underfunded, indescribably awesome, with liberty and cookies for all.”

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